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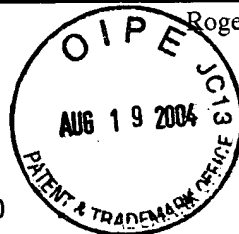


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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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02 FC:2051	65.00 OP
03 FC:2201	129.00 OP
04 FC:2202	288.00 OP

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 385 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of \$417 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$867 for a Small Entity

- \$385 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$417**

- **\$129** for **3** independent claims over 3.
- **\$288** for **32** total claims over 20.

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APPLICANTS: ROGER P. JUNEAU ET AL.

SERIAL NO.: 10/784,534

GROUP ART UNIT: 2643

FILED: 02/23/2004

EXAMINER:

FOR: "METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SOFT HEARING AID"

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: C04036US (98029.4C)

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

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Sir:

This is a response to the notice mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 19, 2004 in the above-referenced application. A shortened statutory period was set to expire 2 months from the date of the action, making a response due by July 19, 2004.

Applicants respectfully request a 1 month extension of time. The \$55.00 government fee is included in the enclosed check.

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REMARKS

Enclosed are the following:

1. Declaration;
2. Power Of Attorney;
3. \$922.00 check (\$385 government filing fee, \$65 missing parts fee, 417 for additional claims and \$55 extension fee); and
4. Formalities Letter;

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is hereby respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for any extension of time necessary to render this paper timely.

Enclosed is check no. 9003 in the amount of \$922.00. However, if this amount is insufficient, please charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0694.

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